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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary

**Federal Communications Commission** 

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RE: USF Certification B FCC Docket No. 10-90 (Revised)

Enclosed for filing in FCC Docket No. 10-90 is an affidavit certifying that all federal high-cost support provided to Midstate Communication was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

The undersigned carrier has also filed this affidavit with the North Dakota Public Service Commission, and it is anticipated that the North Dakota Public Service Commission will also certify by October 1, 2018, that the undersigned carrier will only use said universal service support for its intended purpose. However, because of the importance of this issue, and the fast-approaching certification deadline of October 1, 2018, the undersigned carrier is also providing certification directly to the Federal Communications Commission to ensure that the undersigned carrier continues to receive the universal service support for which it is eligible.

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# BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441 AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN WC DOCKET NO. 10-90

# **AND WC DOCKET NO. 14-58**

# AFFIDAVIT OF MIDSTATE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

### REGARDING

### CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota	)
	) ss.
County of Mountrail	)

Ryan Wilhelmi, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- 1. Affiant is employed by Midstate Communications, Inc. (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Sections 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Sections 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- 3. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23. 2001, in WC Docket Number 10-90 and WC Docket Number 14-58 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.147, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Order of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2019.

5. The Company hereby certifies that all federal high-cost support provided to Midstate Communications, Inc. was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support for the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. Section 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network or it functional equivalent; (b) minutes of use for local service at no additional charge; (c) access to emergency services: and (d) toll limitation services to qualifying low-income consumers.

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	Dated this 25 day of Joly	, 2018.
		MIDSTATE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
		By Legue (J. L.) Ryan Wilhelmi Its: Manager
State of North Dakota	)	
	) ss.	
County of Mountrail	)	
County and State, personal COMMUNICATIONS, IN	day of, 2018, before onally appeared RYAN WILHELMI, known to IC., the corporation that is described in and ne that such corporation executed the sam	ome to be the Manager of MIDSTATE that executed the within instrument,

**Notary Public** 

For the State of North Dakota

My commission expires: <u>Sept 23</u>, 2021

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